## MAJOR GENERAL HUGO E. SALAZAR

## The Adjutant General, Arizona National Guard

Major General Salazar has worked as a full time member of the Arizona Army National Guard for the past seventeen years. Major General Salazar received his commission from the Officer Candidate School at Ft. Benning, Georgia in 1983. His military assignments include two company level commands, Brigade Fire Support Officer, Battalion Executive Officer, Brigade Executive Officer, Operations and Executive Officer of the Arizona Joint Counter Narcotics Task Force, State Mobilization Officer, State Training Officer, Commander 1-180th FA Battalion, Commander 98th Brigade, Senior Military Advisor with Multi-National Security Transition Command- Iraq, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations for the Arizona Army National Guard and Assistant Adjutant General/Director for the Arizona Army National Guard.



Major General Salazar assumed the duties of The Adjutant General,

Arizona National Guard on December 16, 2008 and concurrently serves as the Director of the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs. His duties and responsibilities include managing the day to day activities of Arizona's Army National Guard, Air National Guard, Joint Programs and the Emergency Management Division. His organization consists of over 2400 full-time Federal military and civilian personnel, 600 State employees and a total of over 8000 Soldiers and Airmen.

Major General Salazar is fluent in Spanish, enjoys playing golf, and lives with his wife Laurie Ann and their blended family in Avondale, Arizona.

## **EDUCATION:**

1981 Indiana University, BS, Business Administration, Bloomington, Indiana 1985 Airborne School, Ft. Benning, Georgia 1996 Command and General Staff College, by correspondence 2002 Inter American Defense College, Senior Service School, Ft. McNair, Washington, D.C.

## **AWARDS INCLUDE:**

Legion of Merit
Bronze Star Medal
Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters)
Army Commendation Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters)
Army Achievement Medal (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster)
Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Cluster)
National Defense Service Medal (with Bronze Star Device)
Iraqi Campaign Medal
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Armed Forces Reserve Medal (with M Device and Bronze Hourglass)
Overseas Service Ribbon
Combat Action Badge
Parachutist Badge